# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:618
ANSWERED ON:21.11.2001
STD FACILITY
GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAV

**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a large number of demands for STD facility in rural areas of Rajasthan are pending with the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to provide STD facility in above mentioned State?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Out of 1766 Rural stations 1539 are with STD facility and balance 227 stations are without STD facility in Rajasthan as on 31.10.2001.

(c) i) All efforts are being made to provide STD to balance Rural stations on reliable media by March, 2002 subject to availability of resources.

ii) 122 Rural stations have been provided STD facility as on 31.10.2001 during this year.